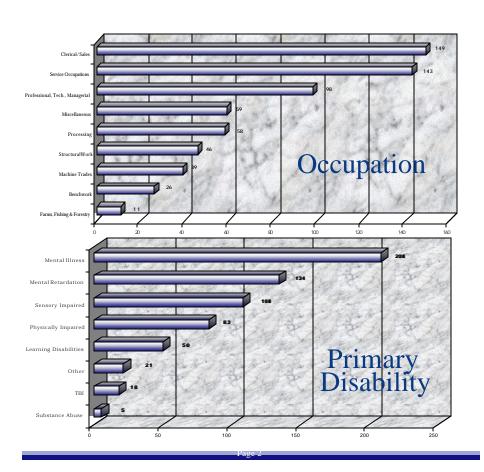
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Office of Rehabil itation Services vocational rehabil itation

629 Individuals Reached Their Employment Goals



VR Assists Individual s with Disabil ities to Enter a Variety of Jobs

Appliance Repairer

Bagger

Bookkeeper

Building Maintenance

Bus Attendant

Carpenter

Cashier

Child-Care Attendant

Computer Programmer

Construction Worker

Cooks Helper

Customer Service Clerk

General Clerk

Industrial Cleaner

Kitchen Food Assembler

Kitchen Helper

Medical Records Clerk

Nurse Assistant

Radio Dispatcher

Sales Clerk

Service Engine Repairer

Software Engineer

Teacher

Teacher Aide

highlights

- ◆ 1,705 Individuals applied for VR Services.
- ♦ 1,082 Individuals developed a New Employment Plan.
- ♦ 5,821 Individuals were provided with VR Services.
- ♦ 3,836 Individuals received Counseling & Guidance Services as their primary career service from Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors.
- ◆ 1,985 Individuals received services purchased from vendors. Services ranged from evaluation, medical and pyschological therapies, training, personal assistance services, job placement and retention.
- ◆ 23 Vending Facilities were supported in the amount of \$428,666 by the Business Enterprise Program. Four new individuals were trained for employment through the BEP program.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Collaborative programs expanded resources to assist individuals to reach employment

- ◆ A cooperative program funded through the RI Department of Education and the DHS/Office of Rehabilitation Services provides a wide range of transition services for students with disabilities through 5 Regional Transition Centers.
- ♦ The nationally-recognized collaborative program in the RI Department of Human Services *Family Independence Program and Vocational Rehabilitation* -served 85 new individuals and assisted 22 individuals with learning disabilities to reach their employment goals.
- ◆ The State Rehabilitation Council partners with the Office of Rehabilitation Services to maximize the potential of Rhode Islanders with disabilities to achieve meaningful employment.

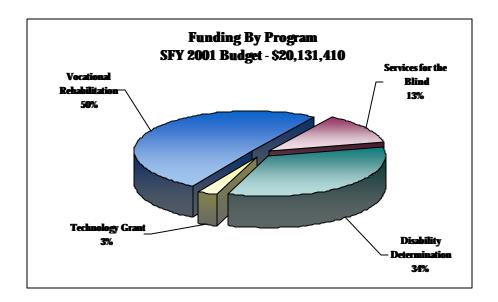
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- ◆ Through the Departments of Human Services/ORS and Labor & Training, Rhode Island was awarded more than 3 million dollars in federal grants over a four-year period under the Ticket to Work Work Incentives Improvement Act (TWWIIA) to enhance employment opportunities for Rhode Islanders with disabilities. (RI was the only state to apply for and receive <u>all</u> <u>four</u> TWWIIA grants.)
- ◆ DHS/ORS is a key partner in the RI One-Stop Career System, called netWORKri. Six netWORKri Career Centers are staffed by ORS Vocational Rehabilitation Counselors expanding employment resources for individuals with disabilities.

Funding for programs administered by o r s



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